

RCE 12w

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

MAIL STOP RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995



Application Number	09/269,972
Confirmation Number	1844
Filing Date	April 08, 1999
First Named Inventor	Yukio NAKAJIMA
Group Art Unit	2123
Examiner Name	Eduardo Garcia-OTERO
Matter Number	Q53854
Title	TIRE DESIGN METHOD, OPTIMIZATION ANALYZING APPARATUS, AND STORAGE MEDIUM HAVING STORED OPTIMIZATION ANALYZING PROGRAM

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
 - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
 - iv. ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
 - v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below:

09/23/2005 JADD01 00000053 09269972

01 FC:1801

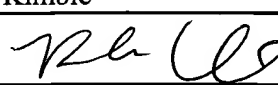
790.00 0P

WASHINGTON OFFICE

23373

CUSTOMER NUMBER

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

Name Ronald Kimble Registration No. 44,186
 Signature  Date September 22, 2005



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q53854

Yukio NAKAJIMA

Appln. No.: 09/269,972

Confirmation No.: 1844

Group Art Unit: 2123

Filed: April 08, 1999

Examiner: Eduardo Garcia-OTERO

For: TIRE DESIGN METHOD, OPTIMIZATION ANALYZING APPARATUS, AND
STORAGE MEDIUM HAVING STORED OPTIMIZATION ANALYZING PROGRAM

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

MAIL STOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Decision on Appeal dated August 12, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS	2
REMARKS	13